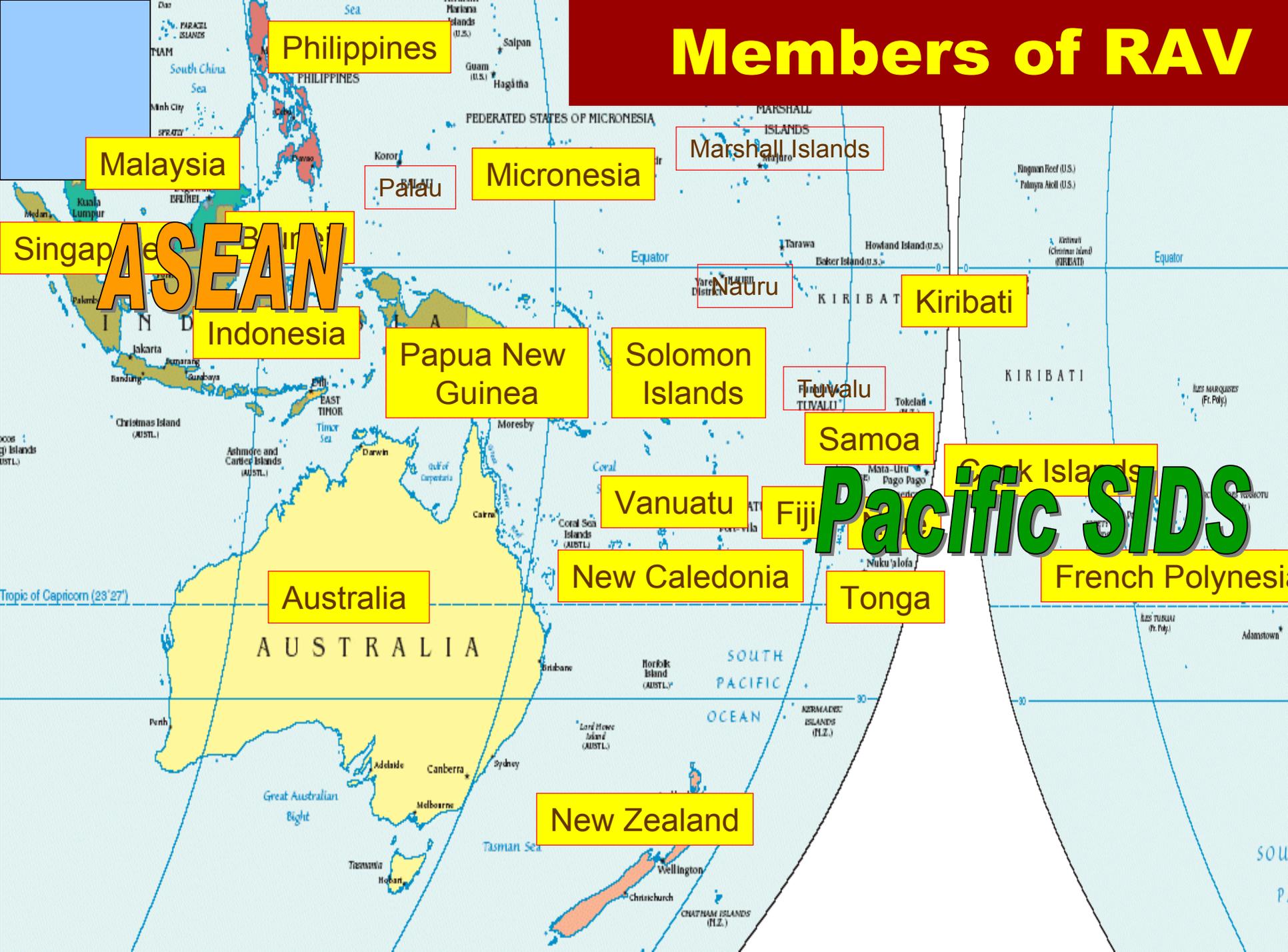




# Use of satellite data in Region V (Southwest Pacific)

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# Members of RAV



Philippines

Malaysia

Singapore

ASEAN

Indonesia

Papua New Guinea

Solomon Islands

Vanuatu

New Caledonia

Australia

New Zealand

Marshall Islands

Palau

Micronesia

Nauru

Kiribati

Tuvalu

Samoa

Tokelau

Fiji

Tonga

French Polynesia

Pacific SIDS

**Typhoon**

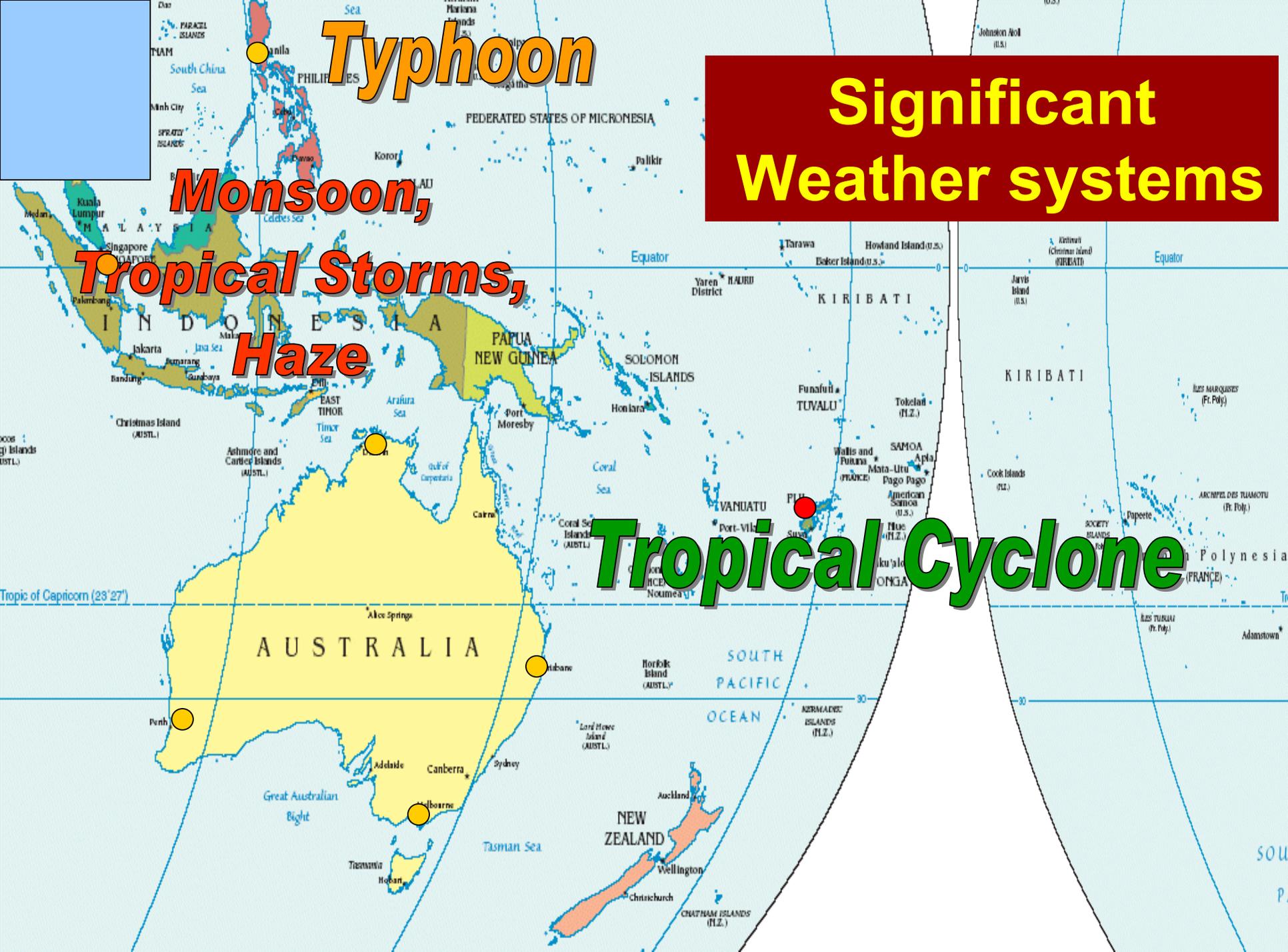
**Monsoon,**

**Tropical Storms,**

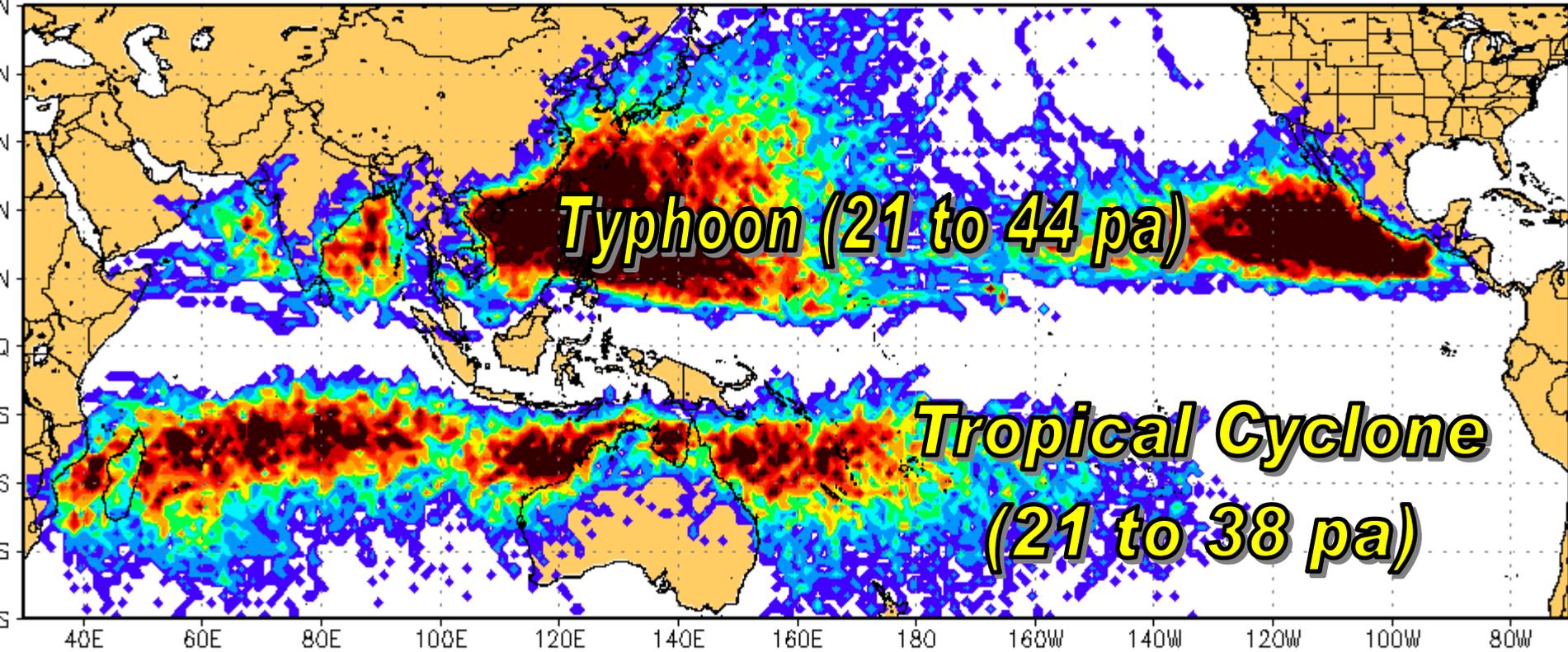
**Haze**

**Significant Weather systems**

**Tropical Cyclone**



# Yearly TC Occurrence



Maps by Chris Cantrell, Capt, USAF

Joint Typhoon Warning Center

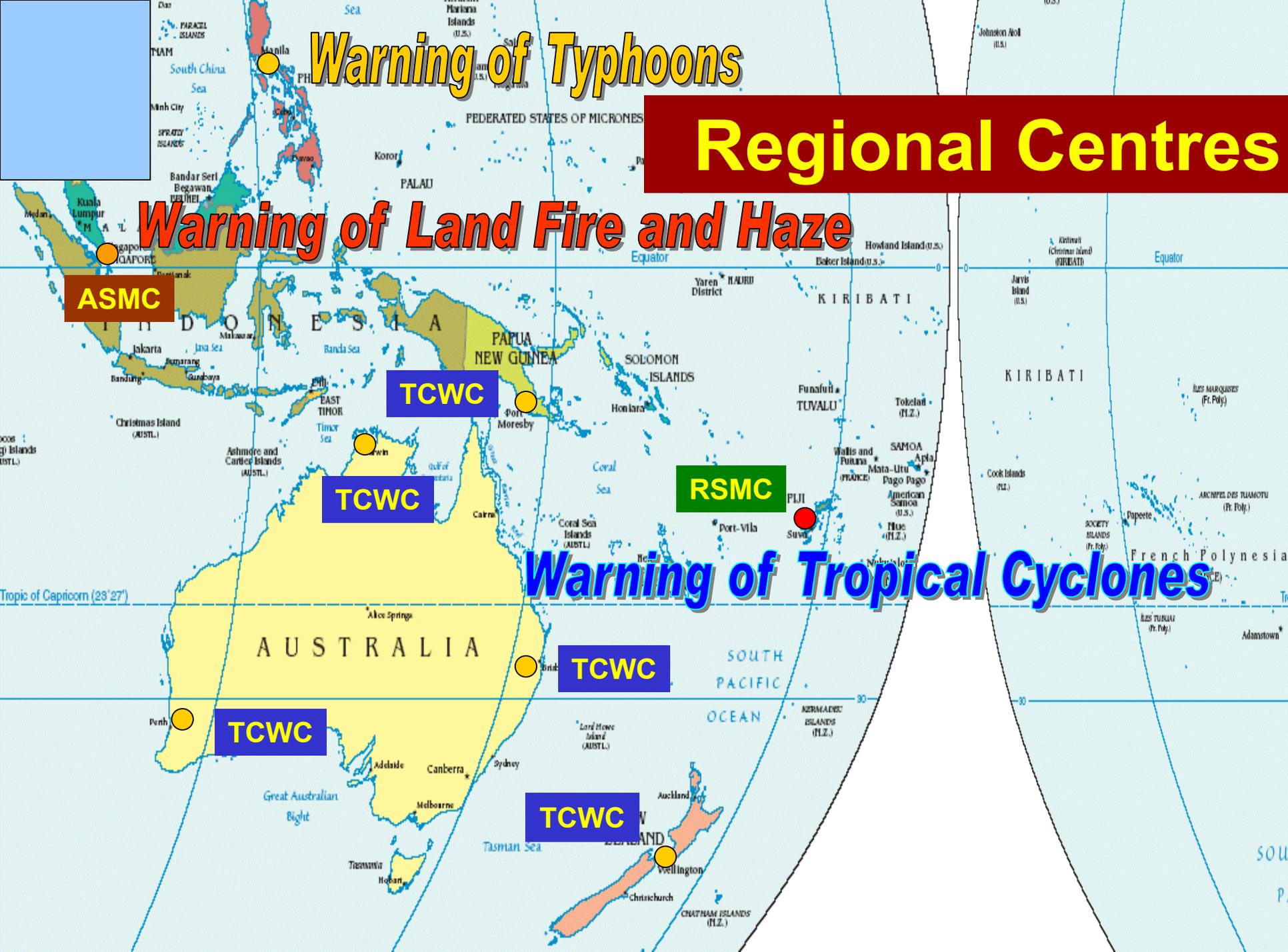


# Warning of Typhoons

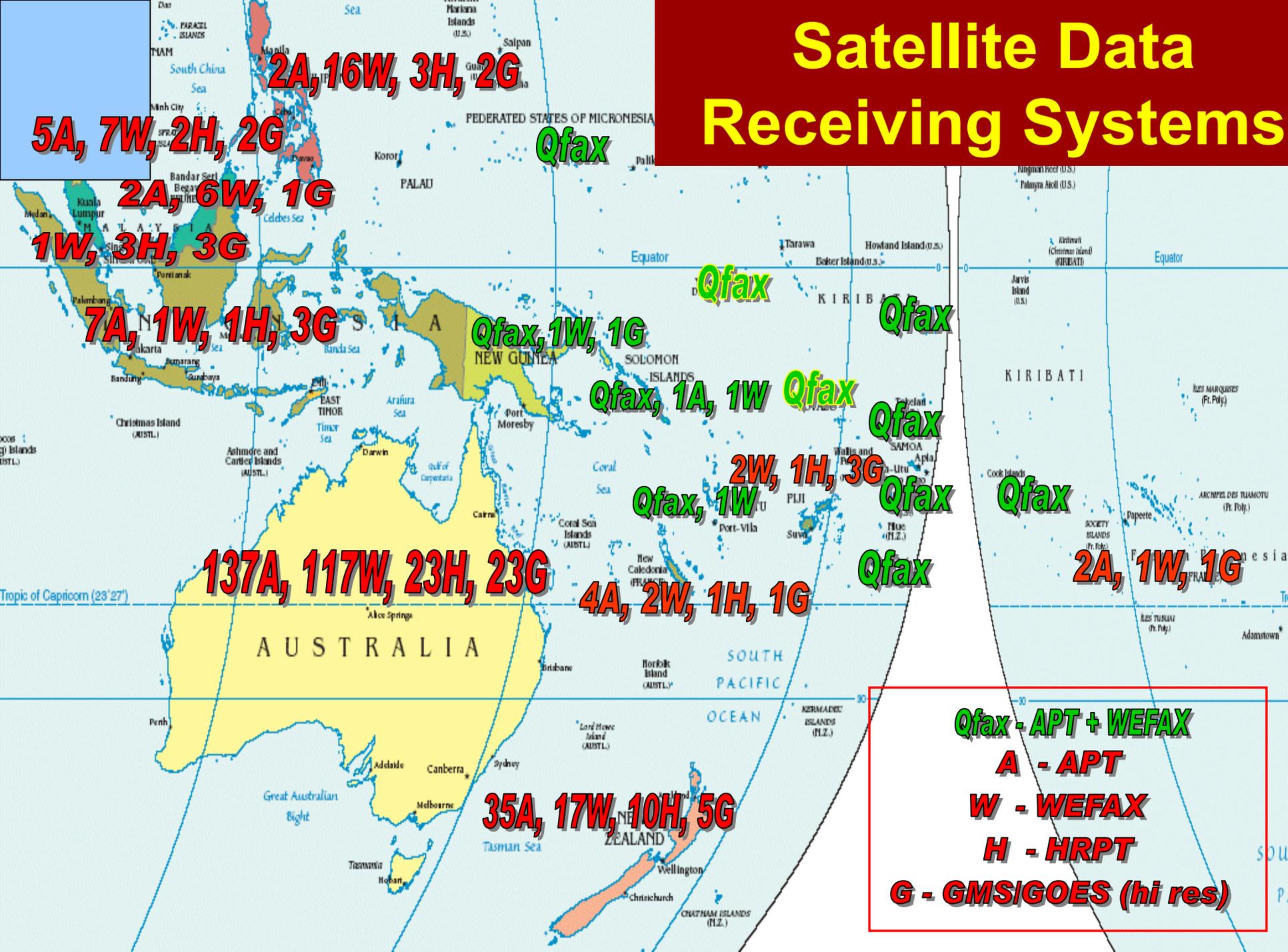
# Regional Centres

# Warning of Land Fire and Haze

# Warning of Tropical Cyclones



# Satellite Data Receiving Systems



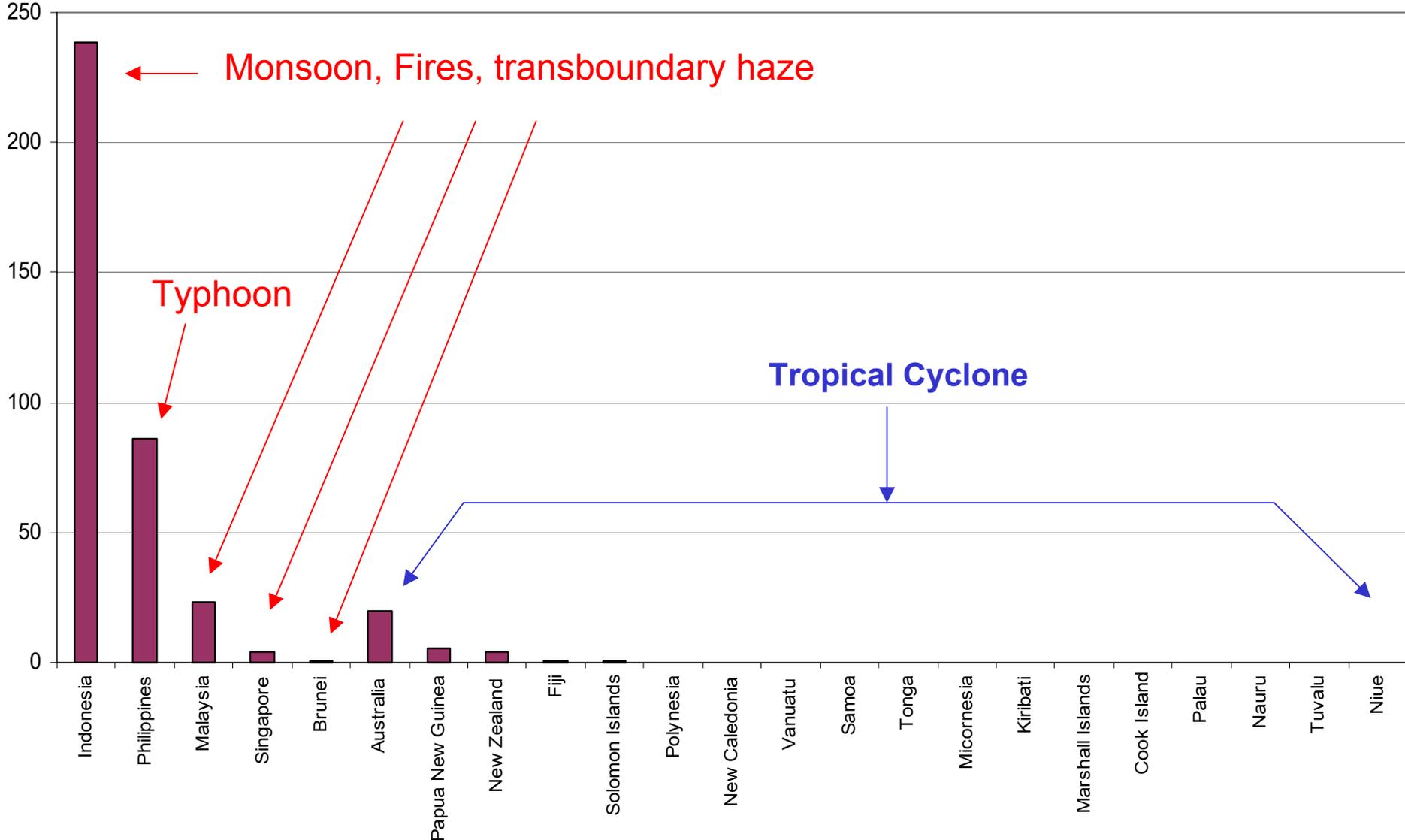
# **Major Applications of Satellite Data in RA V**

- **Monitoring & Prediction of** (data shared freely on Internet)
  - **Tropical cyclone**
  - **Typhoon**
  - **Monsoon depression**
  - **Transboundary smoke haze**
- **Remote sensing applications** (by few Members with needs & means)
  - **Rainfall distribution, Wind flow, SST, atmospheric profile, etc**
  - **Air & sea environmental conditions**
  - **Data assimilation**

# Major Applications of satellite data (other than general weather forecasting)

	<b>Tropical Cyclones</b>	<b>Typhoon</b>	<b>Monsoon weather systems</b>	<b>Land Fires, haze &amp; other remote sensing applications</b>
<b>Southeast Asia</b>		<b>GMS/GOES (Hi Res)</b>	<b>GMS/GOES (Hi Res)</b>	<b>NOAA (Hi Res)</b>
<b>Better equipped island states</b>	<b>GMS/GOES (Hi Res)</b>			<b>NOAA (Hi Res)</b>
<b>South Pacific (SIDS)</b>	<b>WEFAX</b>		<b>WEFAX</b>	
Geostationary satellites				Polar orbiting satellites

# Populations & Significant Weather in RA V



GOES9 2004 12 02 08:23 UTC IR

**Typhoon/cyclone data posted on internet  
by Members** (downloaded on 2 Dec 2004)



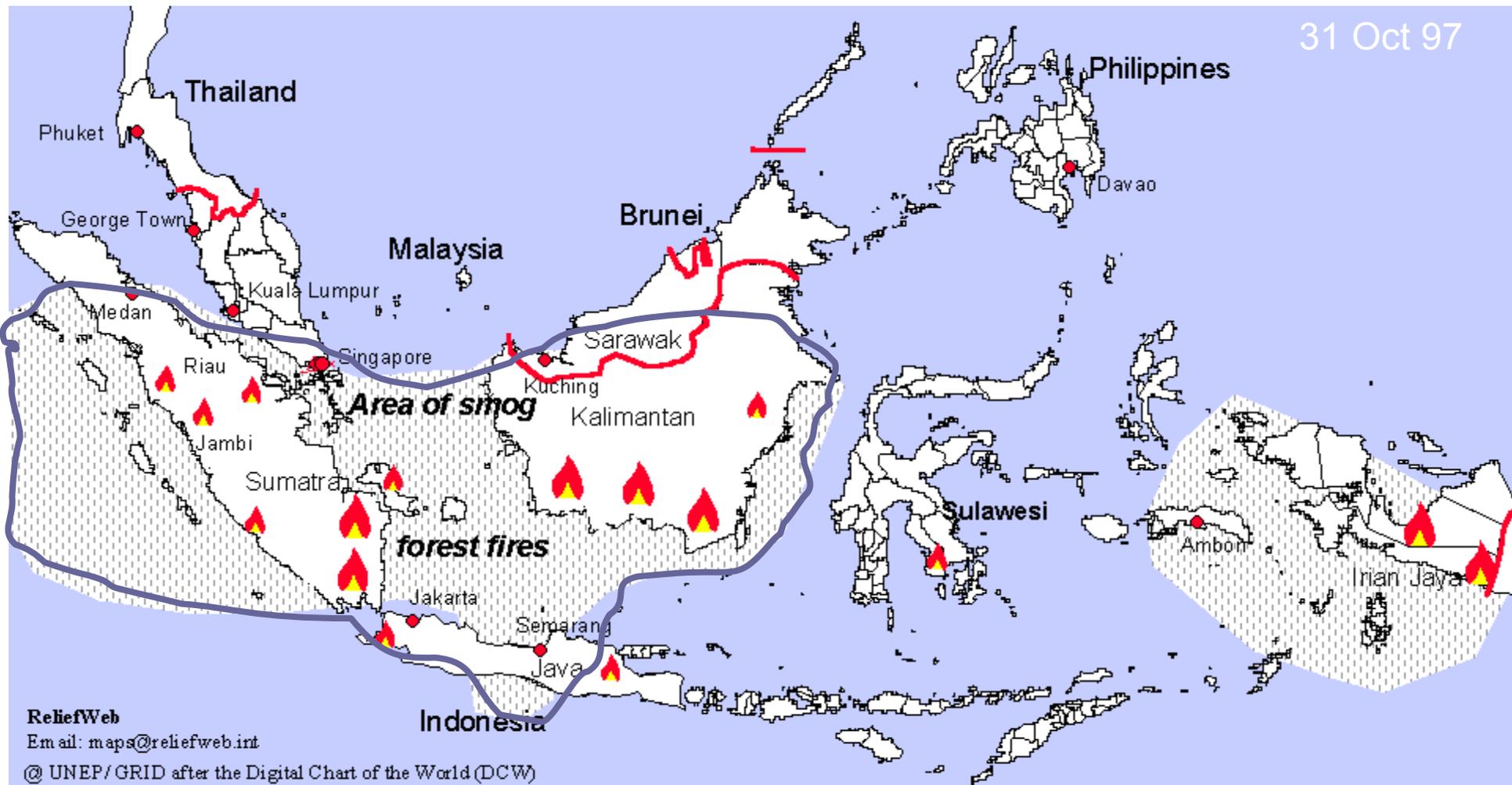
**Typhoon Nanmadol  
caused  
1000 dead in Philippines**

Image Produced by Meteorological Services Division, NEA

# Severe Smoke Haze Watch

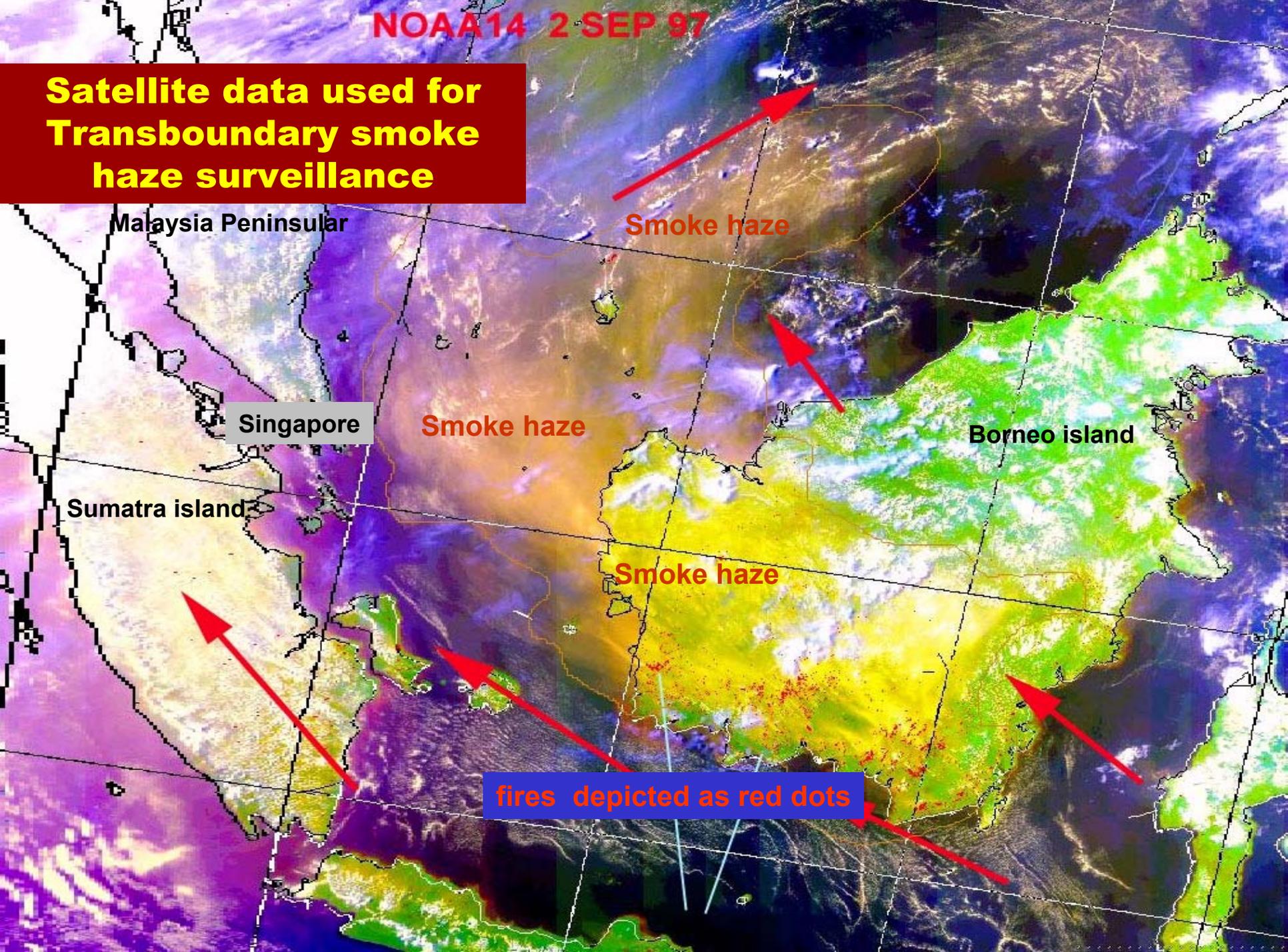
(1997)

31 Oct 97



NOAA14 2 SEP 97

**Satellite data used for  
Transboundary smoke  
haze surveillance**



Malaysia Peninsular

Smoke haze

Singapore

Smoke haze

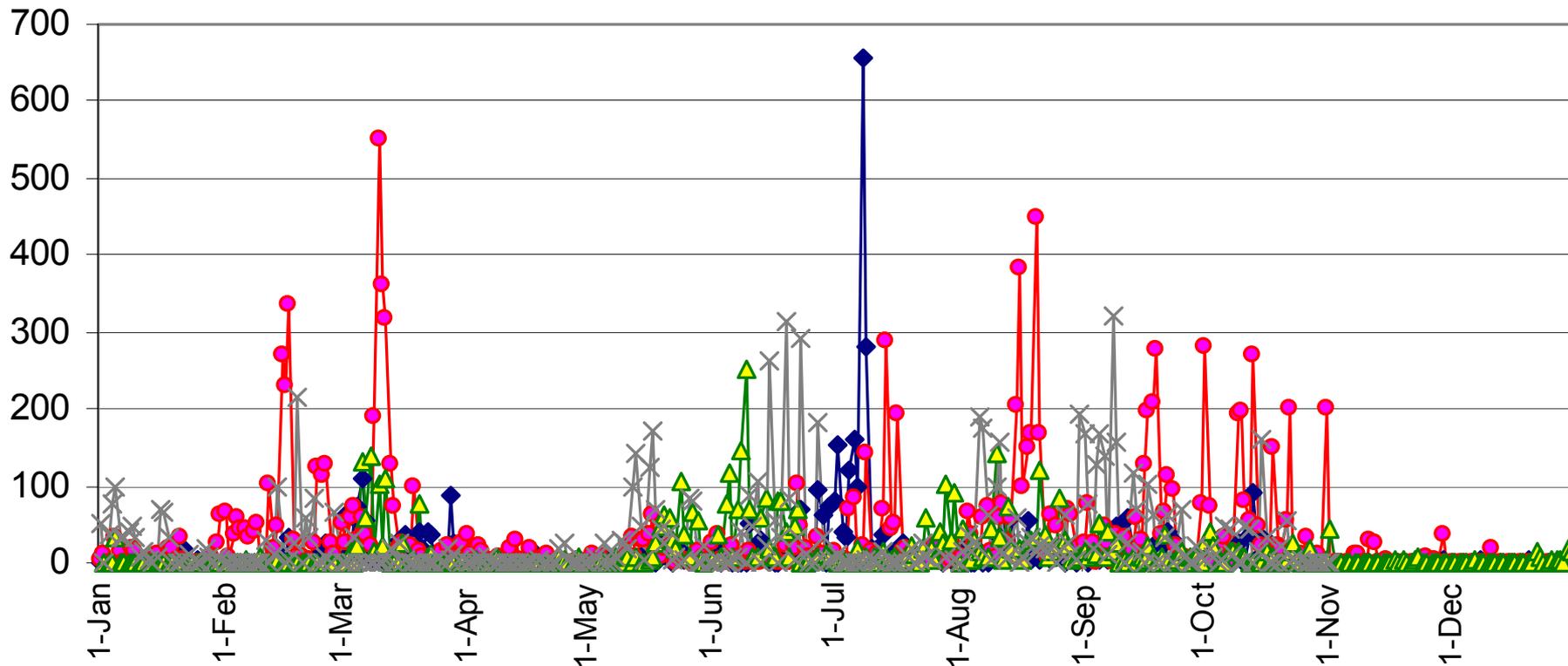
Borneo island

Sumatra island

Smoke haze

fires depicted as red dots

# Hotspots in Sumatra Island (Indonesia)



# Costs (\$ M) of 1997 Haze

Damage	Indonesia	Malaysia	Singapore	Total
Short-term Health Damages	924	8	3.7	935.7
Industrial Production Losses	NA	157.4	0	157.4
Tourism	70.4	127.4	58.4	256.2
Airport & Airline Losses	17.6	0.2	0.4	18.2
Fishing Decline	NA	16.2	0	16.2
Cloud Seeding	NA	0.8	0	0.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,012</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>1,384.5</b>

Joint study by WWF -Indonesia and EEPSEA

# **Regional Haze Action Plan**

- **Adopted by the Environment Ministers in ASEAN to address transboundary haze problem**
- **ASMC (ASEAN Specialized Meteorological Centre) designated to provide**
  - **forecasts and daily surveillance of land & forest fires and transboundary haze**
  - **Relevant products derived from satellite observations**

**Sample of daily  
surveillance  
products  
disseminated  
through ASMC  
Intranet**

smoke haze

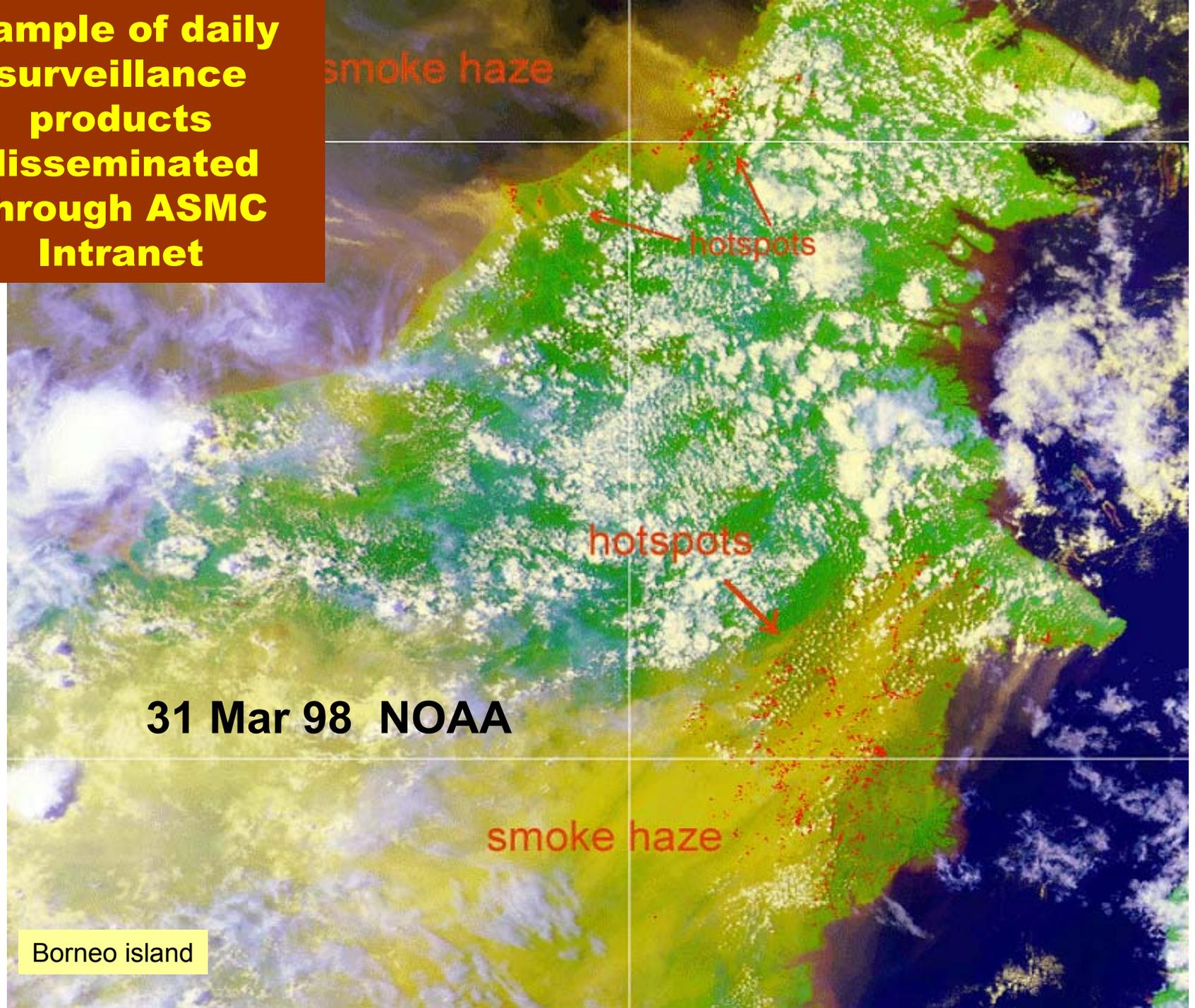
hotspots

hotspots

smoke haze

**31 Mar 98 NOAA**

Borneo island



# Monitoring of diurnal development of fires & haze - GMS

27 March 97 0730 UTC

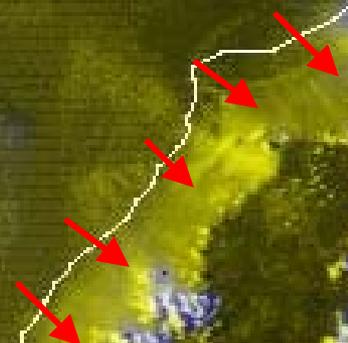
Prevailing wind direction



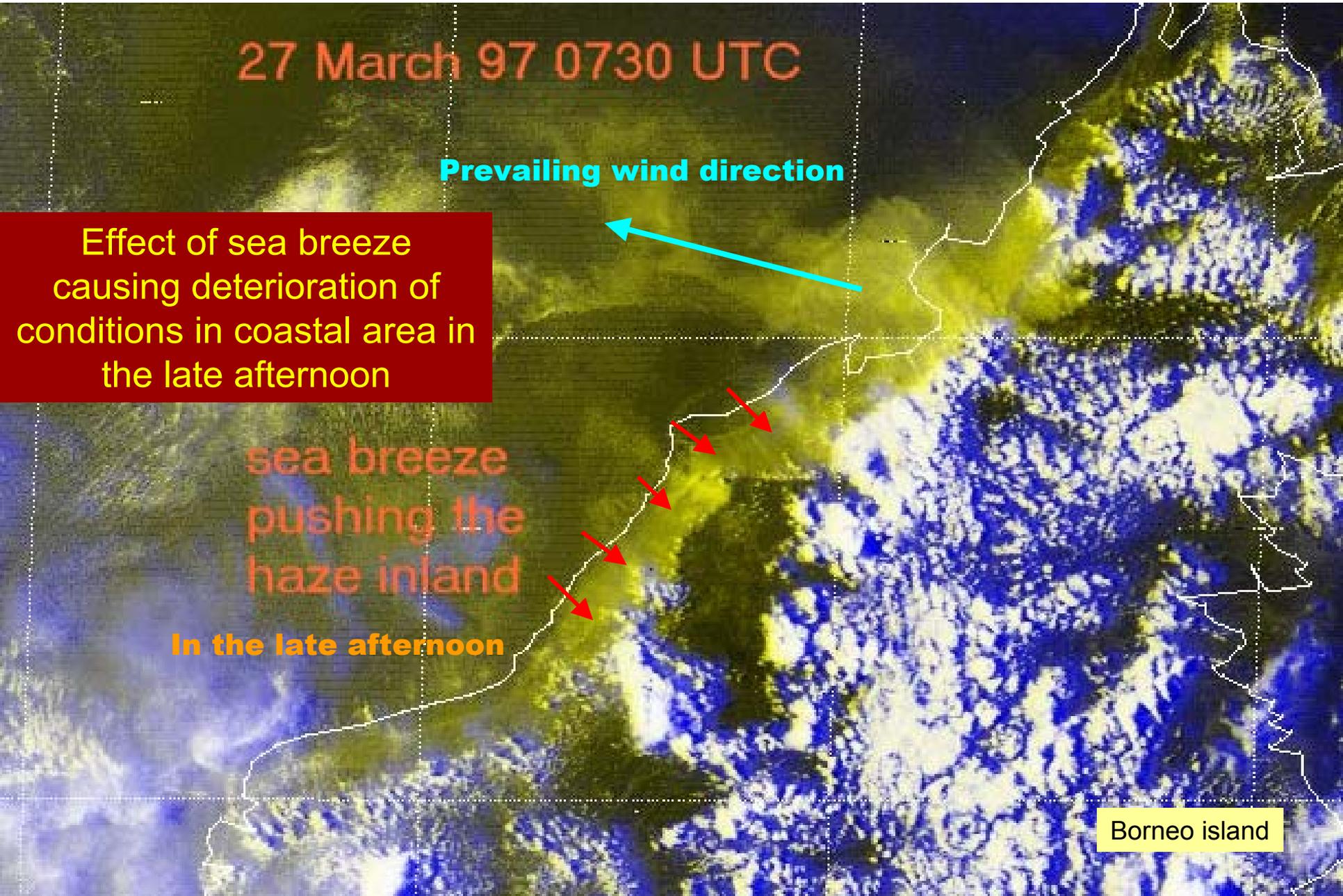
Effect of sea breeze causing deterioration of conditions in coastal area in the late afternoon

sea breeze pushing the haze inland

In the late afternoon



Borneo island



# Monitoring of diurnal burning & smoke haze patterns - GMS

**11 Feb 98 02:30 UTC GMS  
10:30 Local Time**

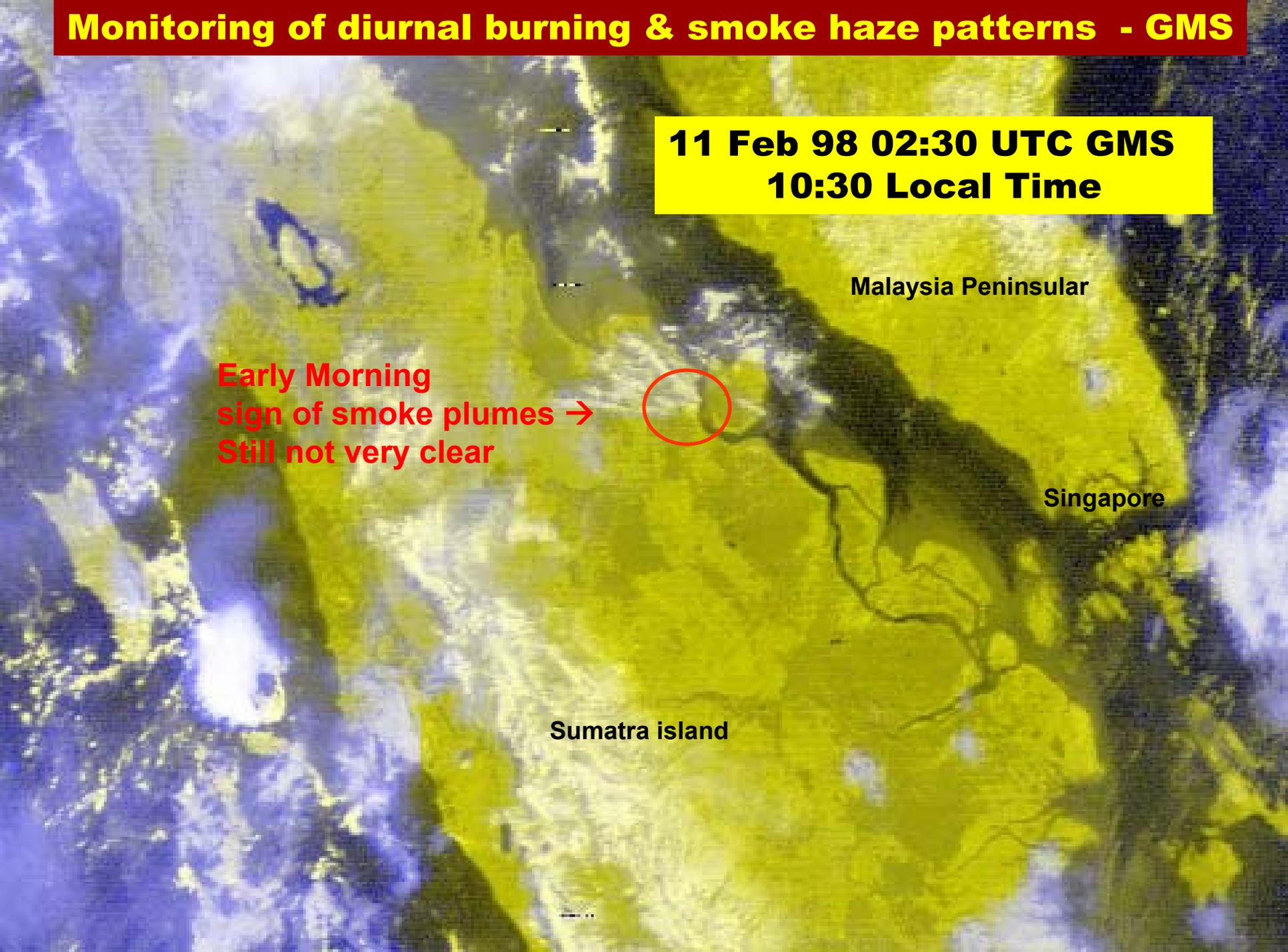
**Early Morning  
sign of smoke plumes →  
Still not very clear**



Malaysia Peninsular

Singapore

Sumatra island



# Monitoring of diurnal burning & smoke haze patterns - GMS

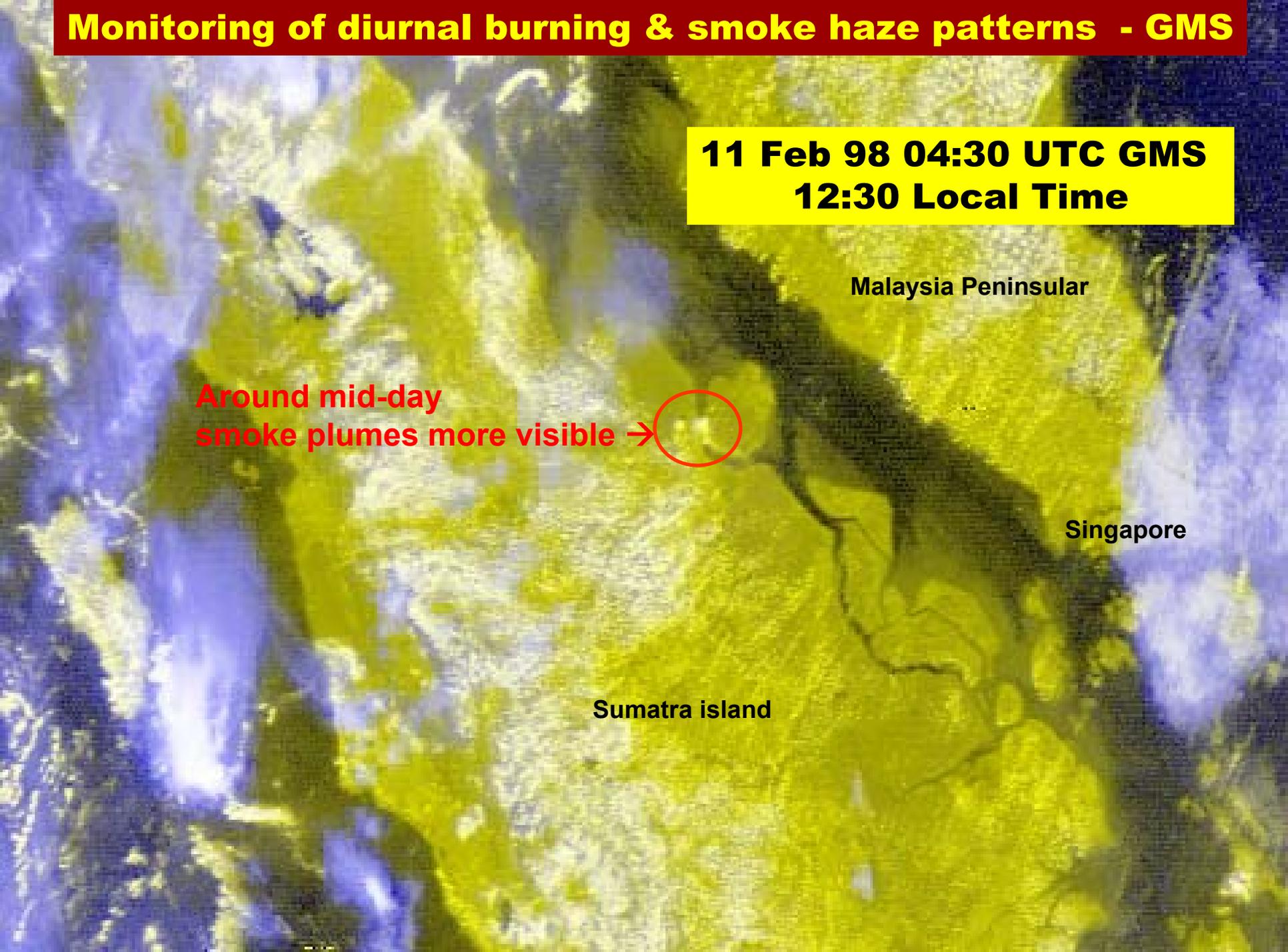
**11 Feb 98 04:30 UTC GMS  
12:30 Local Time**

Malaysia Peninsular

Around mid-day  
smoke plumes more visible →

Singapore

Sumatra island



# Monitoring of diurnal burning & smoke haze patterns - GMS

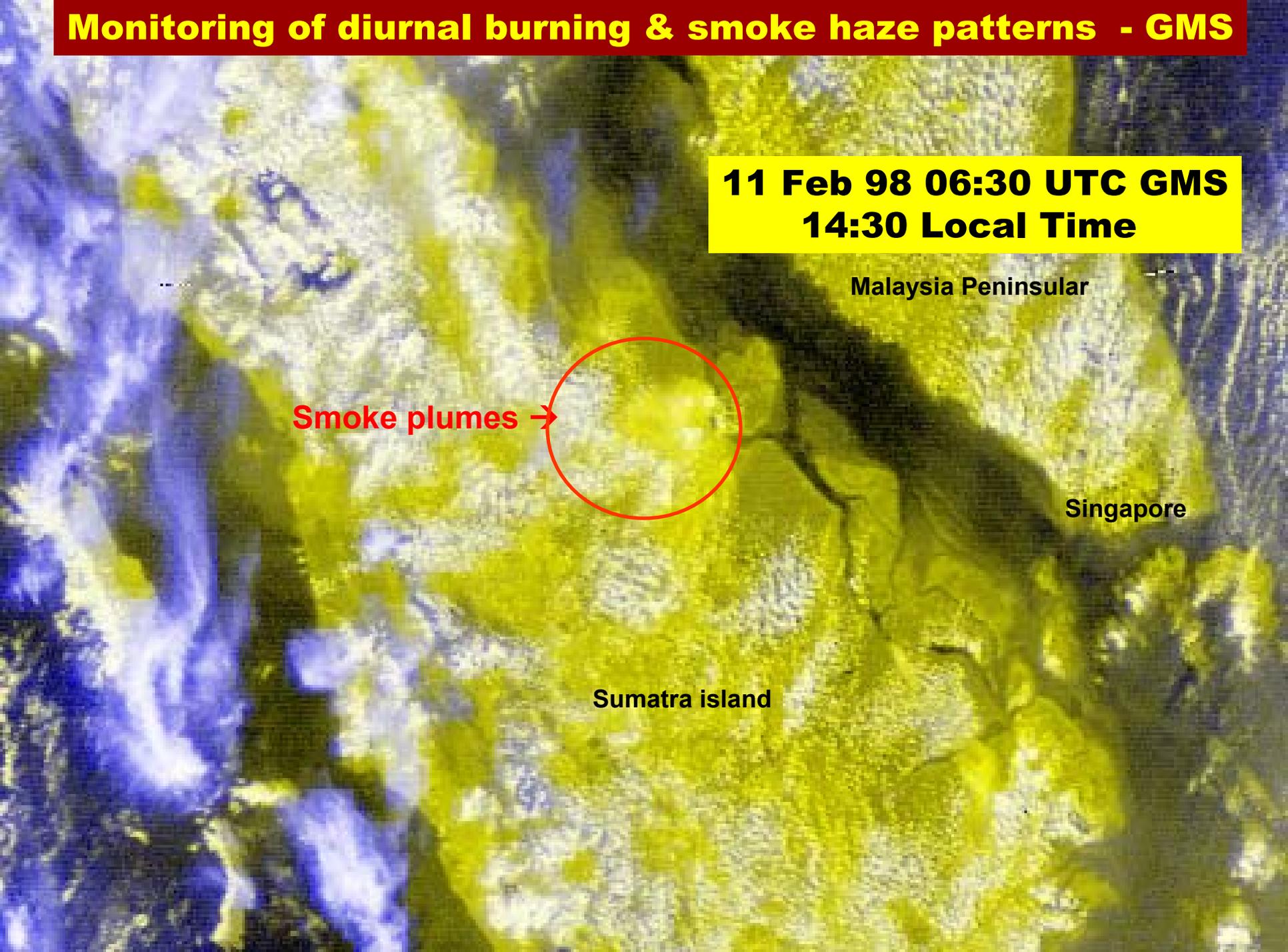
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Malaysia Peninsular

Smoke plumes →

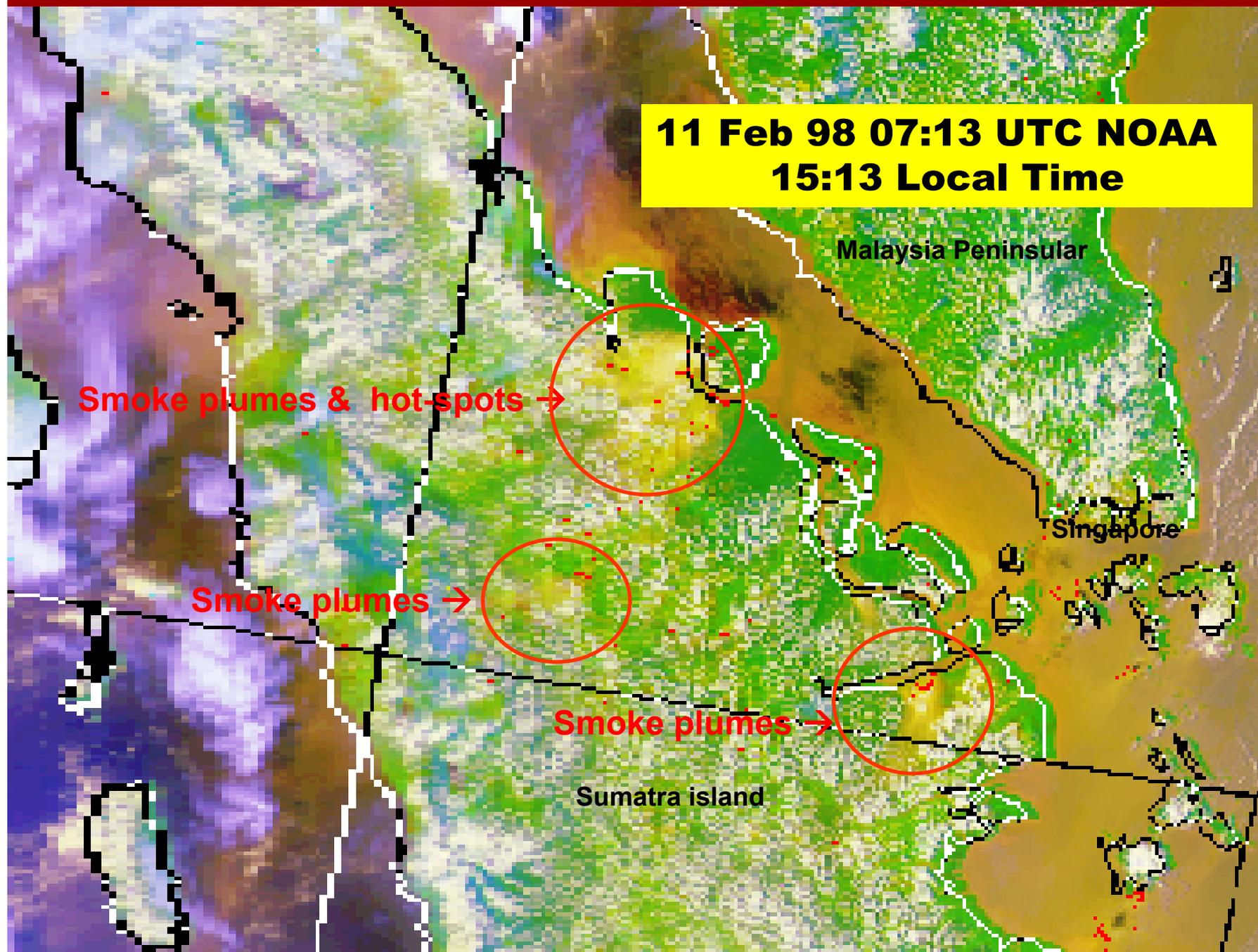
Singapore

Sumatra island



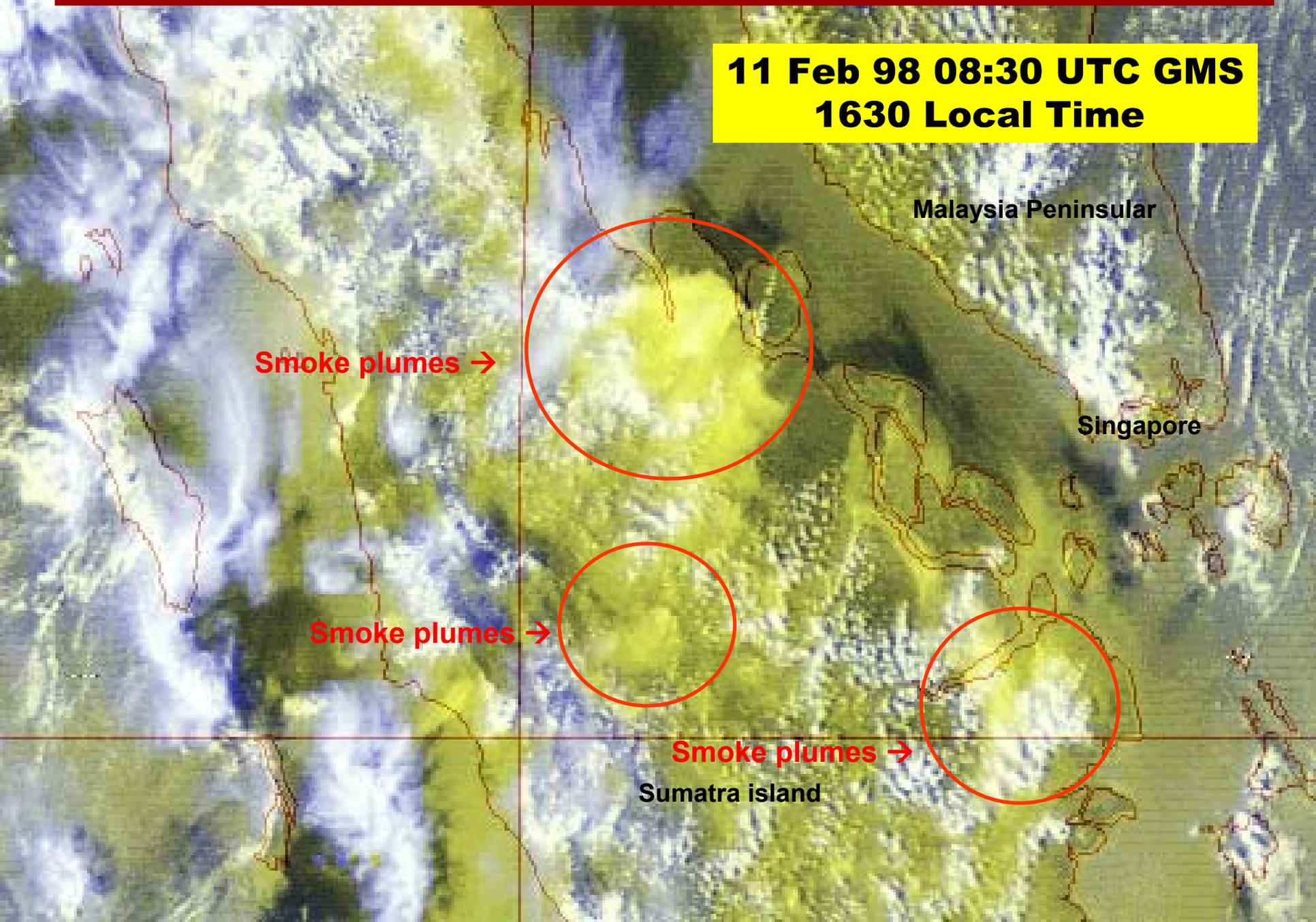
# Monitoring of diurnal burning & smoke haze patterns - NOAA

**11 Feb 98 07:13 UTC NOAA  
15:13 Local Time**



# Monitoring of diurnal burning & smoke haze patterns - GMS

**11 Feb 98 08:30 UTC GMS  
1630 Local Time**



**Smoke plumes →**

**Smoke plumes →**

**Smoke plumes →**

Malaysia Peninsular

Singapore

Sumatra island

# Monitoring of diurnal burning & smoke haze patterns - GMS

**GMS 5 Sep 11 2000  
17:36 Local Time**

Sumatra island

**In the late afternoon, there are less convective clouds to mask the smoke plumes**

Wind direction

# Satellite Data Posted by Members on Internet

**GOES (+ animation) (Philippines)**

**GOES, NOAA (Malaysia)**

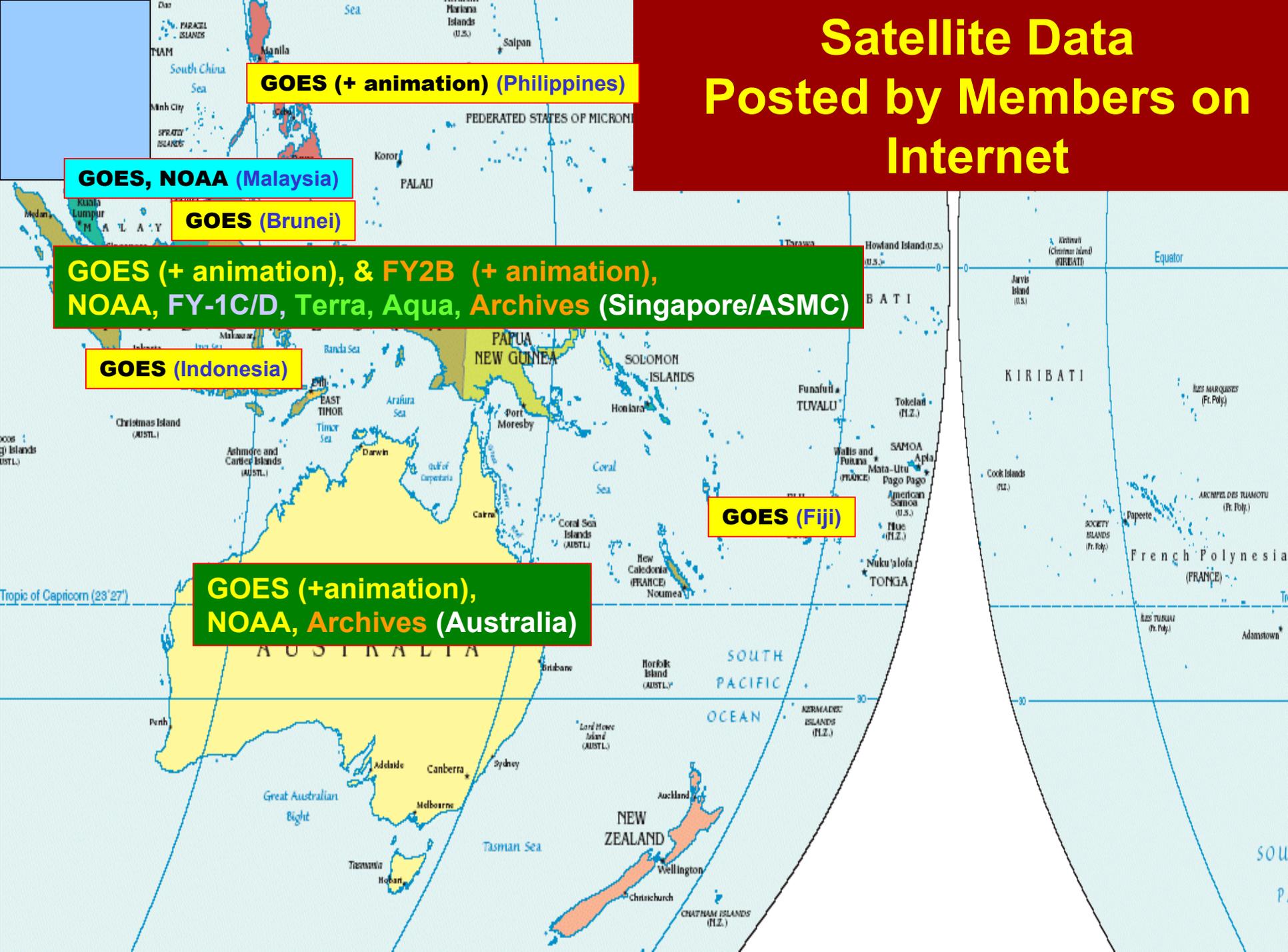
**GOES (Brunei)**

**GOES (+ animation), & FY2B (+ animation),  
NOAA, FY-1C/D, Terra, Aqua, Archives (Singapore/ASMC)**

**GOES (Indonesia)**

**GOES (Fiji)**

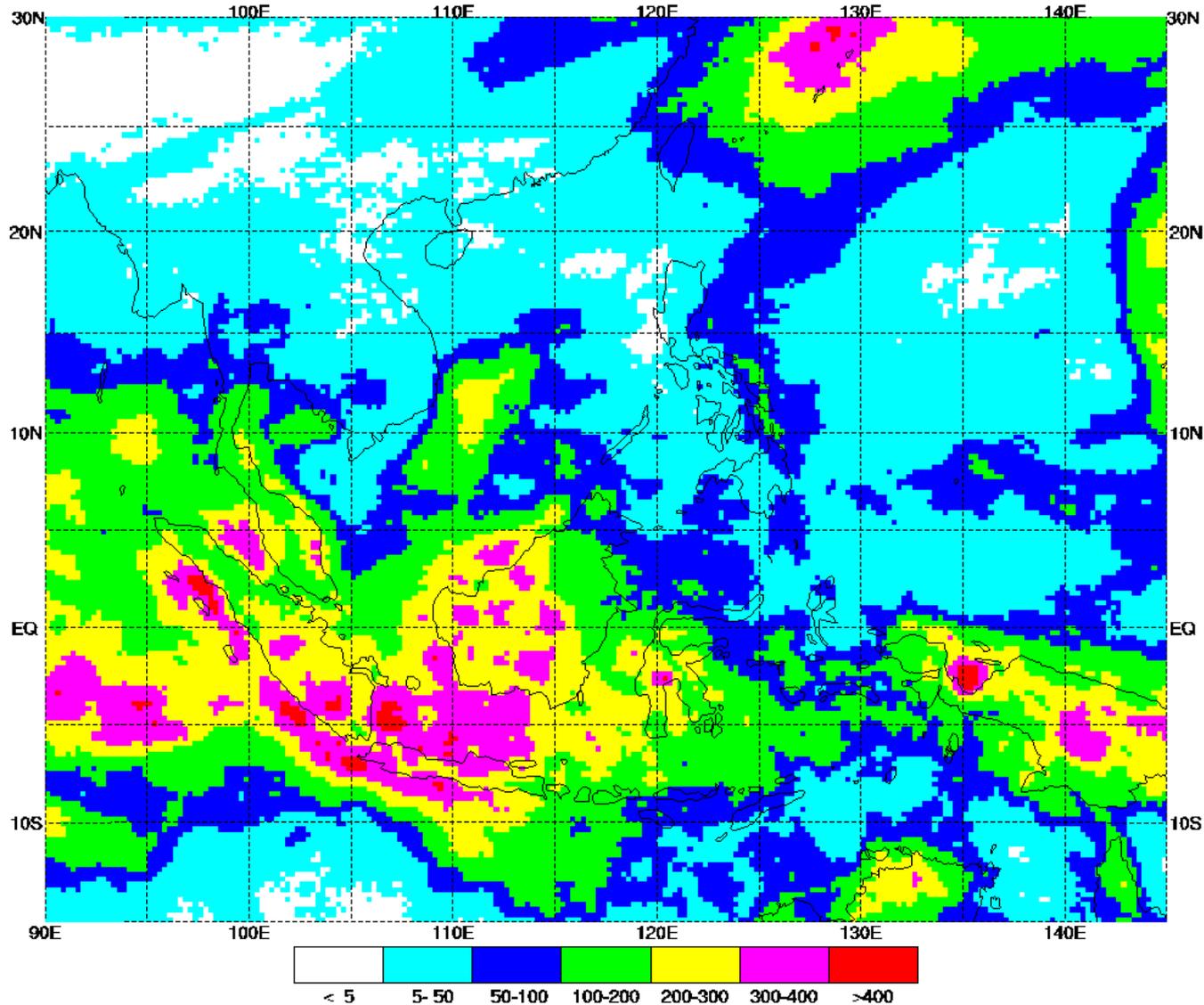
**GOES (+animation),  
NOAA, Archives (Australia)**



**Samples of products derived from  
satellite data distributed by Members  
in RA V**

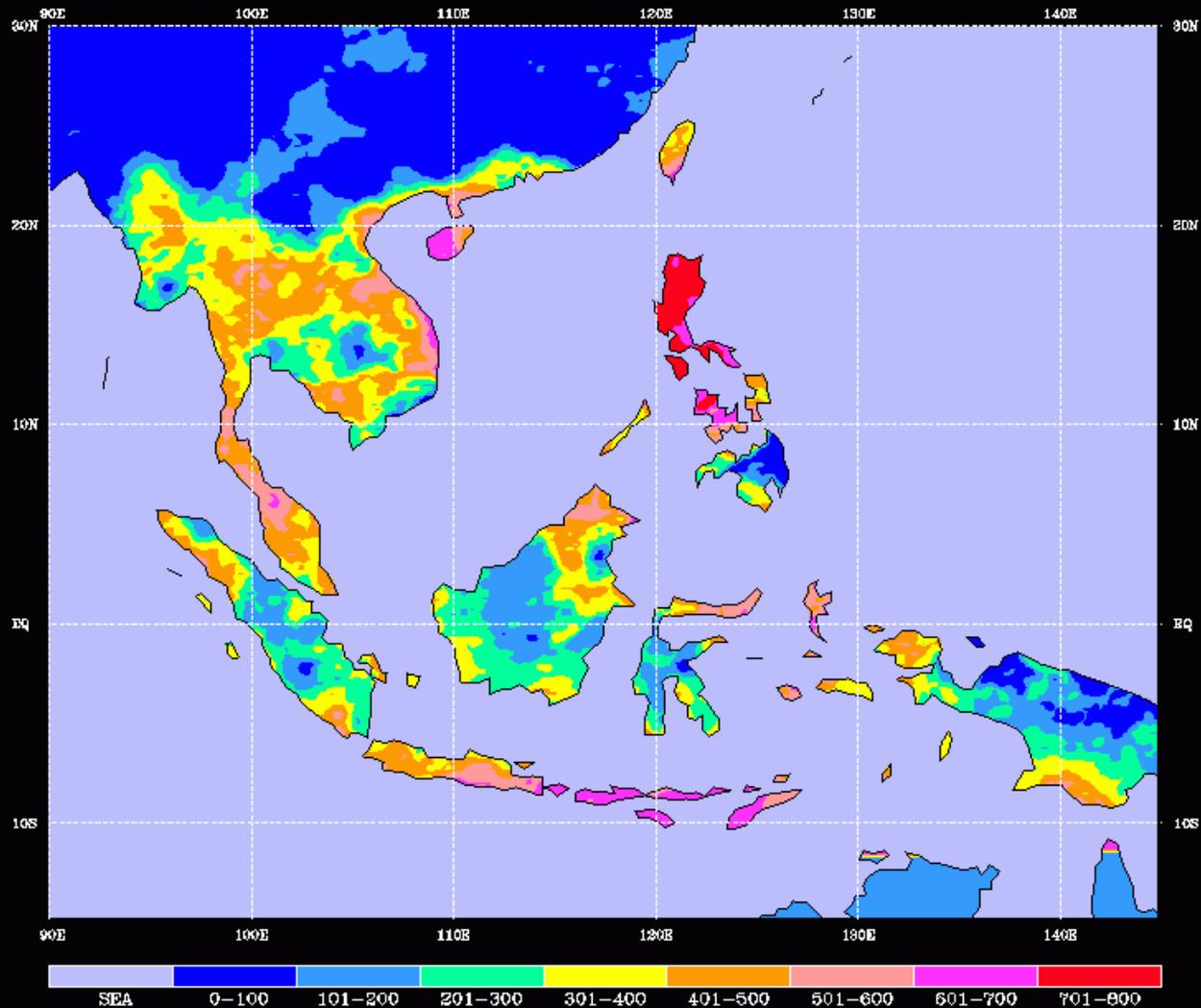
# Product from GMS - rainfall distribution

Monthly GMS5 Rainfall Estimates for DEC 2002 (UTC)

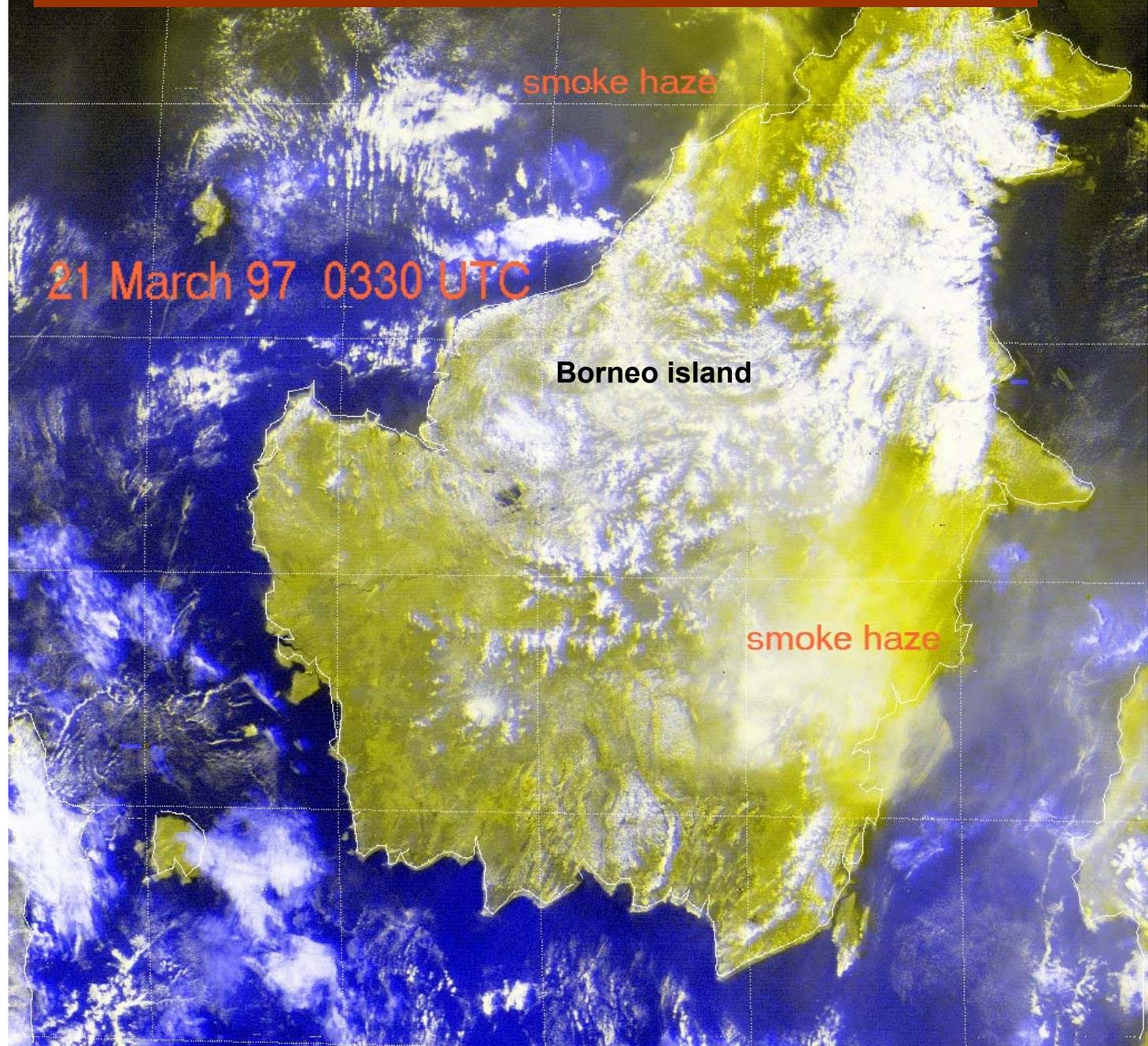


# Product from GMS - Drought index derived from estimated rainfall

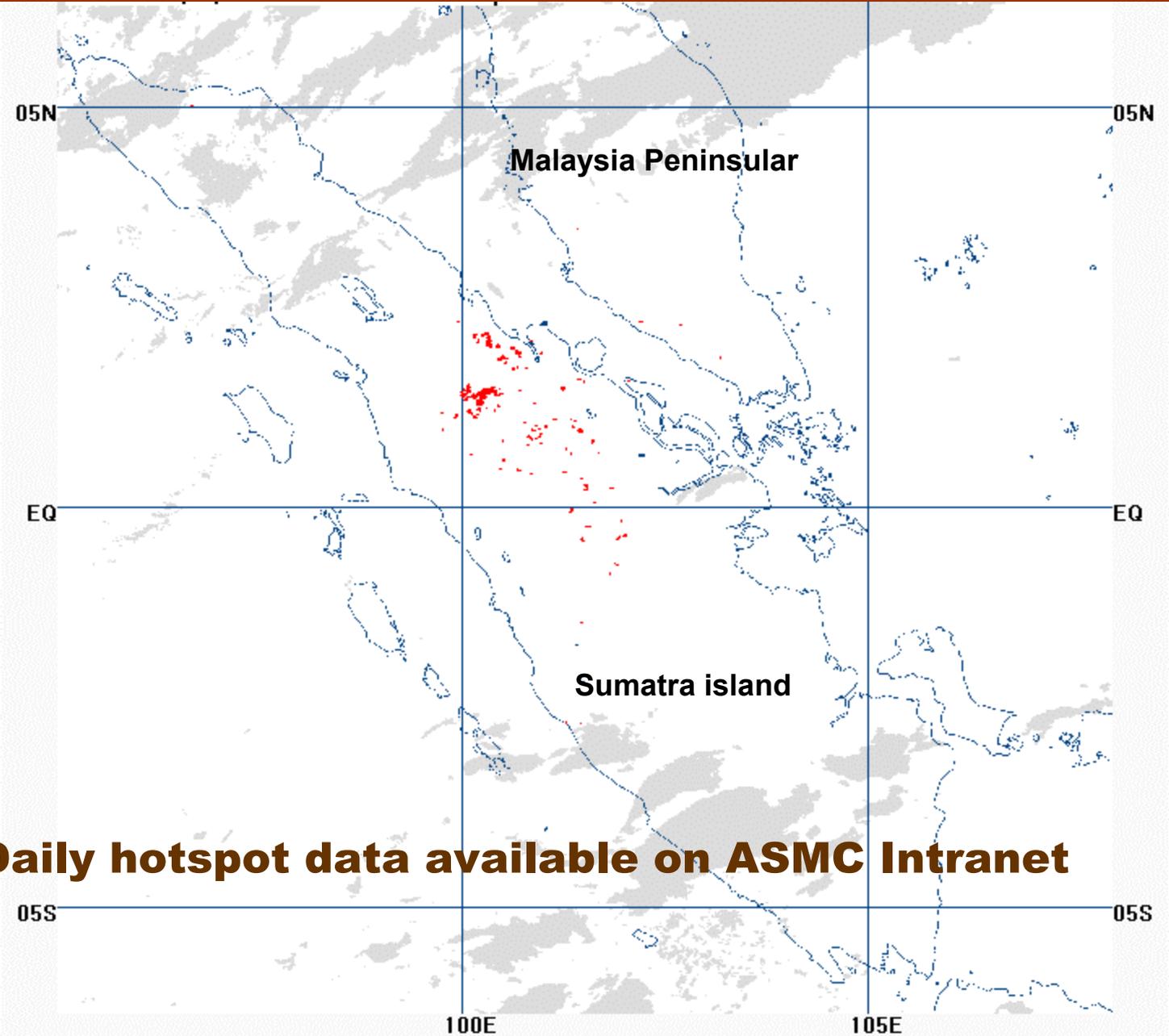
Keetch-Byram Drought Index (KBDI) valid 00 UTC 21-05-2003



# Products from GMS – ASMC Intranet



# Products from NOAA (locations of fires) - ASMC Intranet



**Daily hotspot data available on ASMC Intranet**

# Products from AVHRR & MODIS (detailed info of fires) - ASMC Intranet

METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES DIVISION, NEA

\*\*\*\*\* Hotspot Count Report \*\*\*\*\*

Created On: 2004, October 21, 10:05:05

Satellite: NOAA12

Date & Time: 2004/10/21 09:03:57

Total Hotspot Count in Pixel: 193

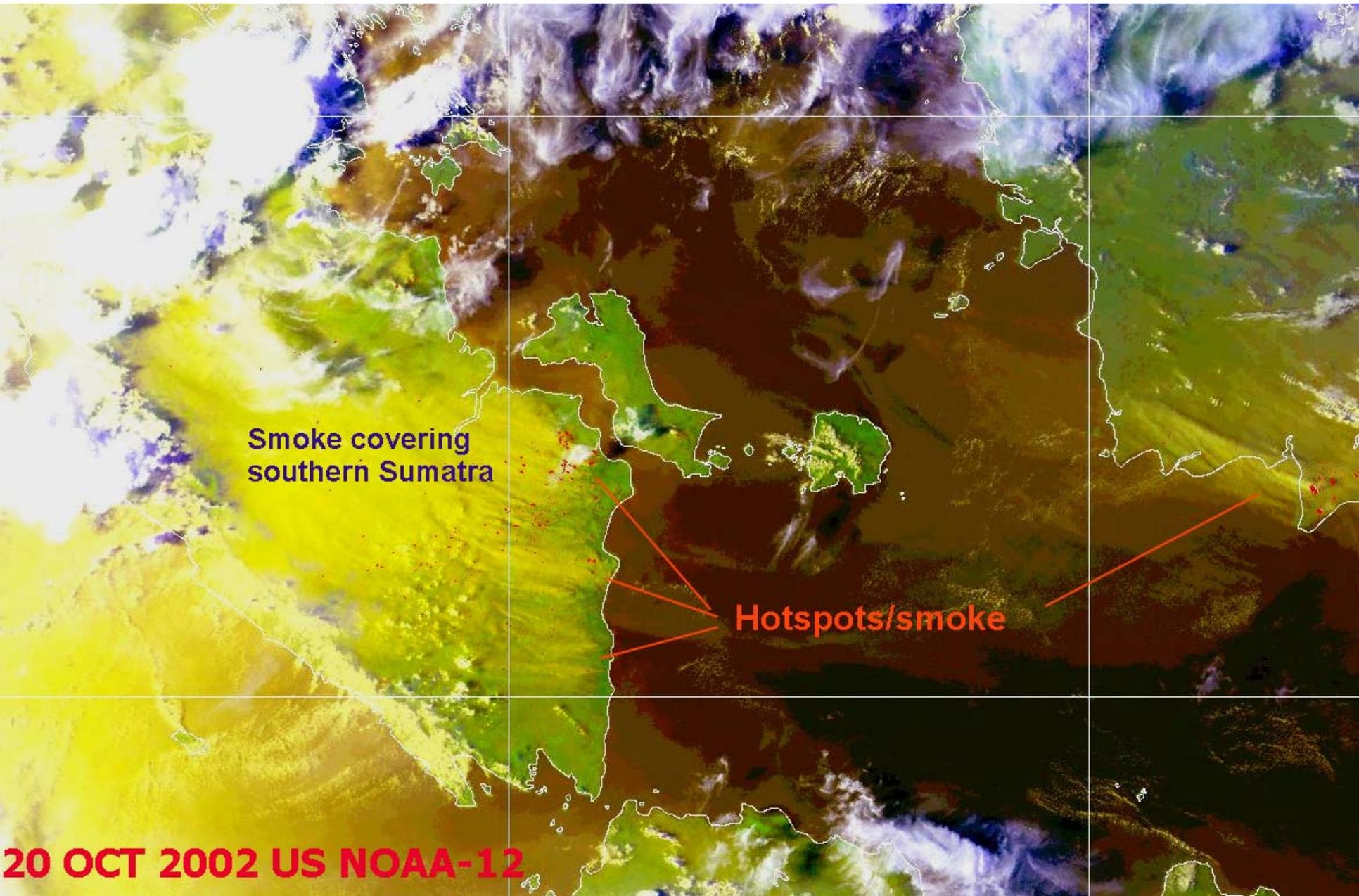
Total Hotspot Count in Group: 79

Group Index Longitude Latitude

Ch1 Ch2 Ch3b Ch4 Ch5 Discriminating level

				R1	R2	T3	T4	T5	Level
1	2	117.500	4.425						
	1	117.500	4.430	0.13	0.14	44.3	21.0	17.6	5
	2	117.500	4.420	0.14	0.15	47.6	21.0	17.9	5
2	1	112.220	2.840	0.08	0.07	44.0	21.8	17.4	6
3	1	116.750	1.210	0.10	0.08	41.5	21.3	17.8	5
4	1	116.830	0.900	0.06	0.05	37.5	23.6	20.5	5
5	1	116.820	0.860	0.10	0.08	37.3	22.7	19.5	5
6	1	116.910	0.540	0.11	0.09	38.8	24.7	21.5	7
7	6	116.817	0.508						
	1	116.830	0.520	0.12	0.09	37.2	24.1	20.7	5
	2	116.820	0.510	0.13	0.10	39.5	22.7	20.4	7
	3	116.830	0.510	0.13	0.09	42.5	24.8	21.1	10
	4	116.810	0.510	0.16	0.12	42.0	21.8	18.7	6
	5	116.810	0.500	0.19	0.14	44.2	22.2	19.1	7
	6	116.800	0.500	0.13	0.09	37.0	22.7	19.8	5
8	1	116.890	0.510	0.11	0.09	45.5	25.5	21.7	10

# Products from NOAA – ASMC Intranet



Smoke covering  
southern Sumatra

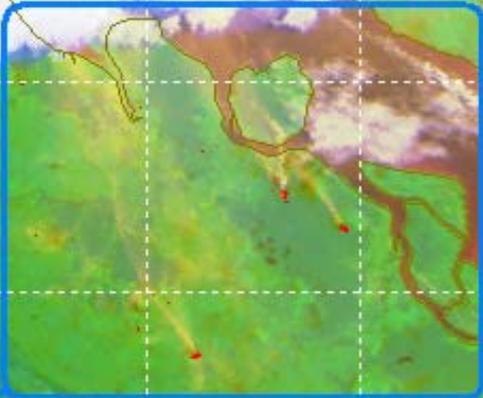
Hotspots/smoke

20 OCT 2002 US NOAA-12

# Products from FY 1D – ASMC Intranet

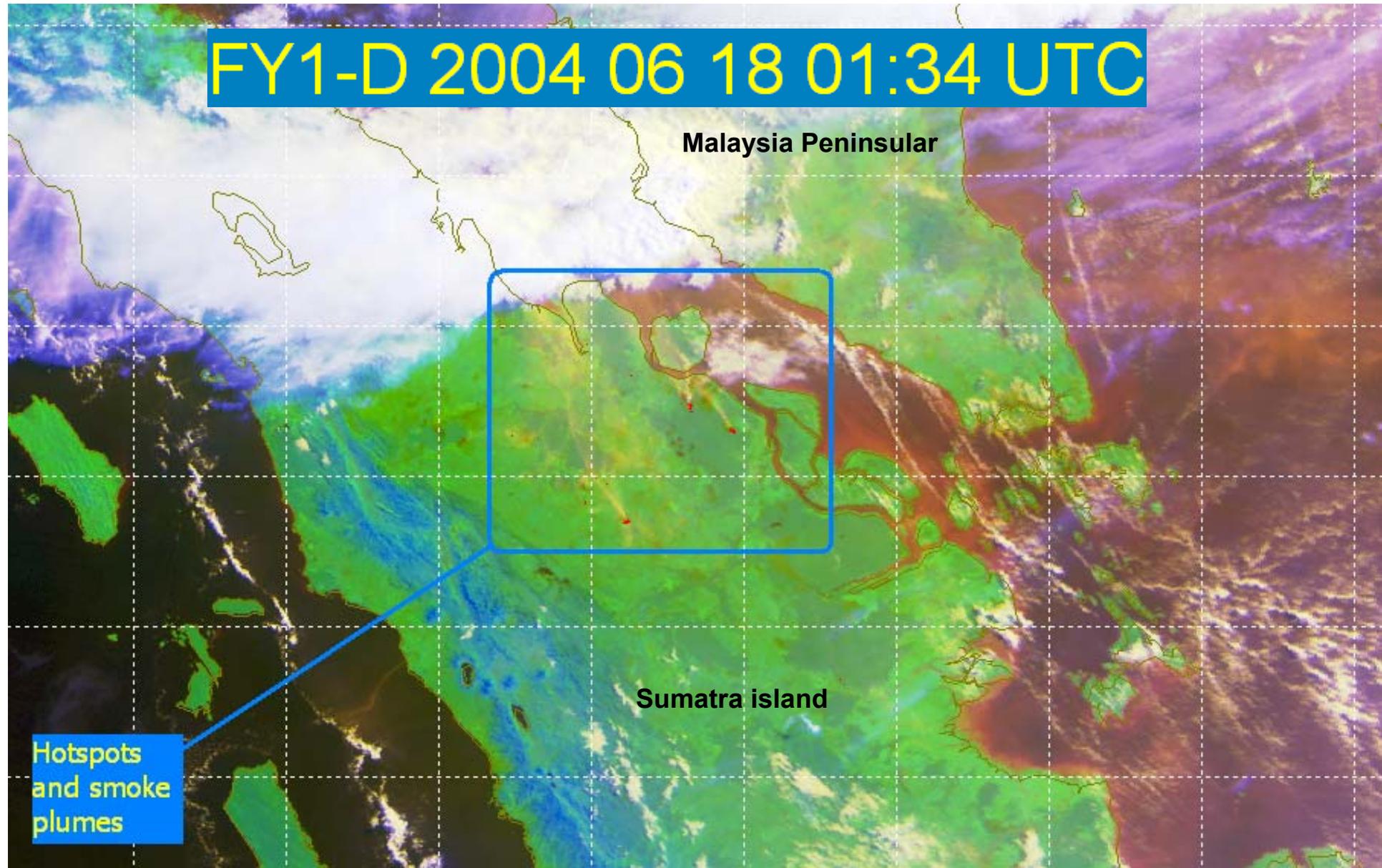
**FY1-D 2004 06 18 01:34 UTC**

Malaysia Peninsular



Sumatra island

Hotspots  
and smoke  
plumes



# Products from AQUA – ASMC Intranet

AQUA 2004 09 10 06:48 UTC



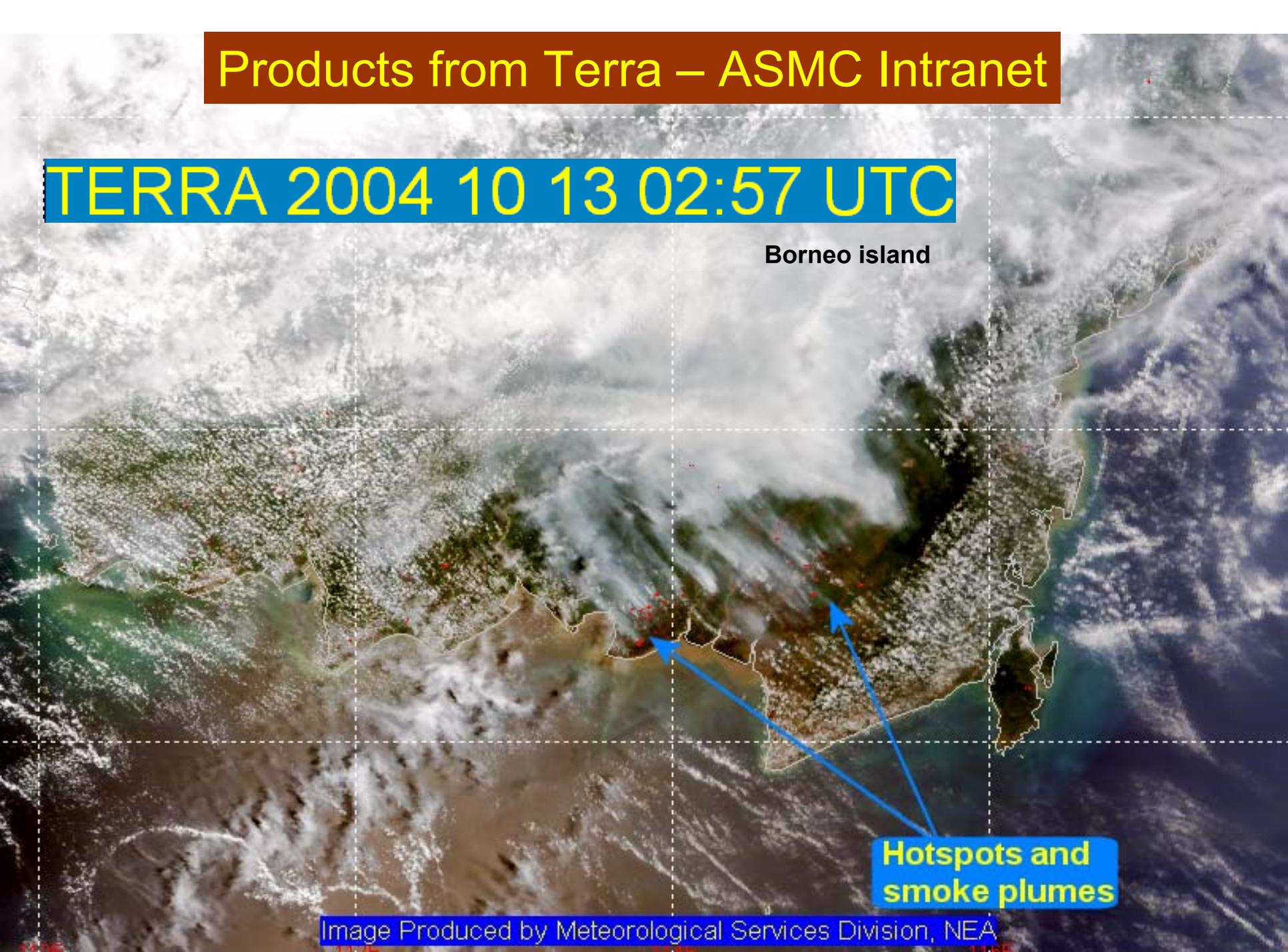
# Products from Terra – ASMC Intranet

**TERRA 2004 10 13 02:57 UTC**

Borneo island

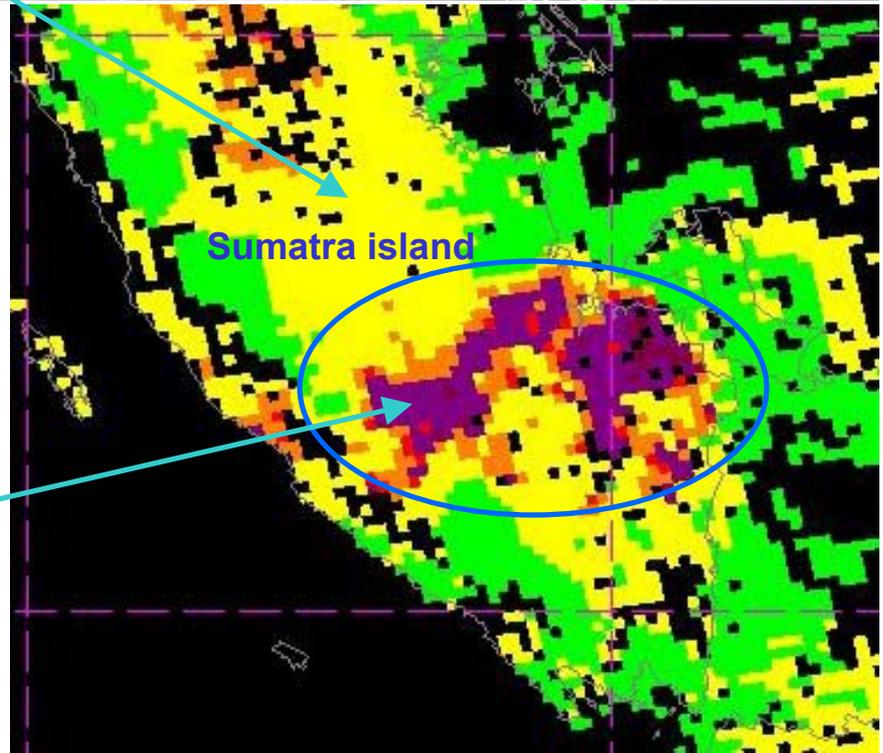
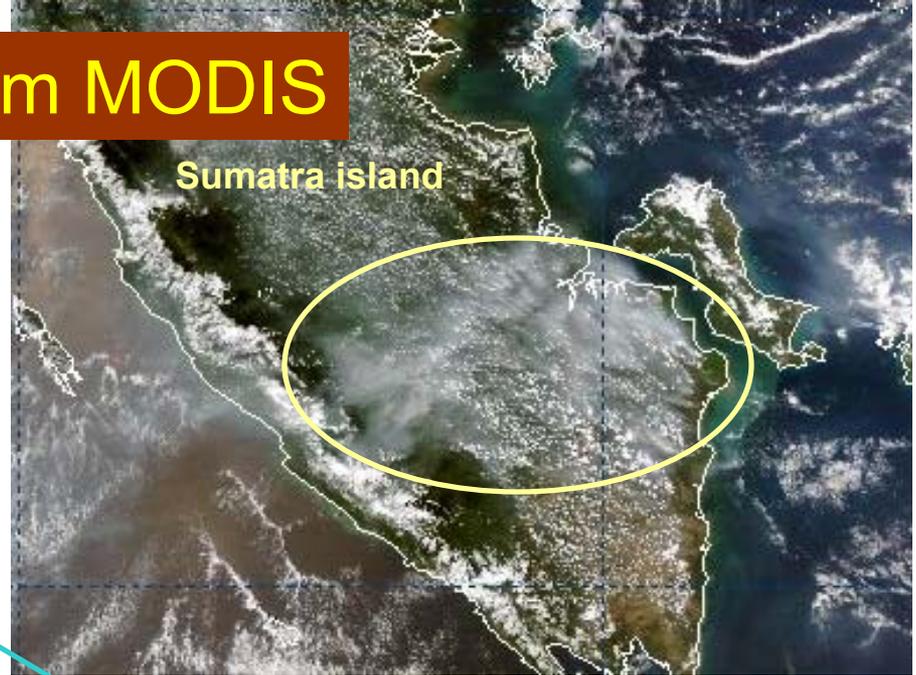
**Hotspots and  
smoke plumes**

Image Produced by Meteorological Services Division, NEA

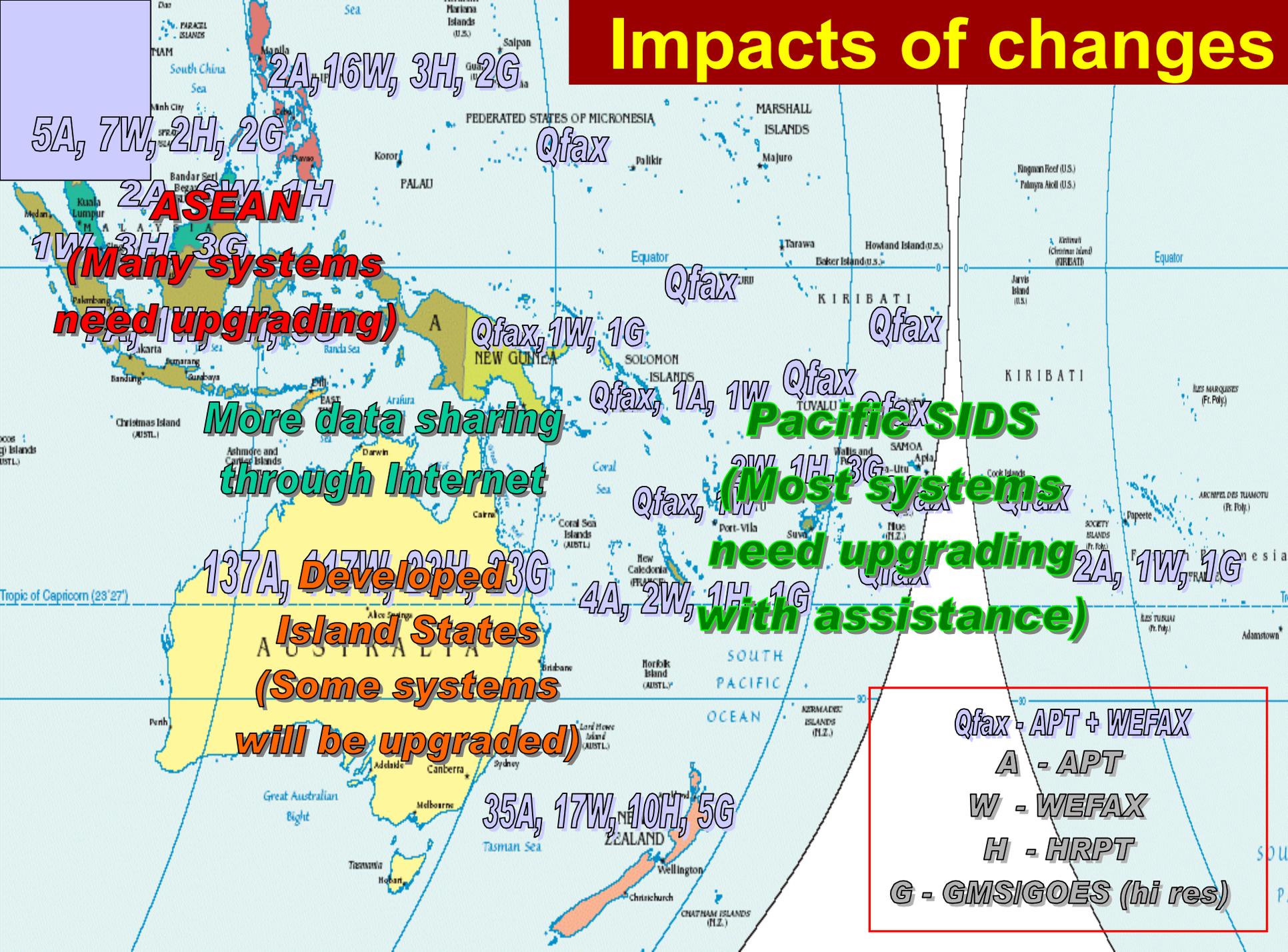


# Pollution Index derived from MODIS

Index Values	Levels of Health Concern
0-50	Good
51-100*	Moderate
101-150	Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups
151-200	Unhealthy
201-300	Very Unhealthy
301-500	Hazardous



# Impacts of changes



Qfax - APT + WEFAX  
A - APT  
W - WEFAX  
H - HRPT  
G - GMS/GOES (hi res)

# Thank You

